

5 LIST OF AGENCIES AND PERSONS CONSULTED

Consultation (scoping – the solicitation of comments) was conducted through a combination of letters, publication of a Notice of Intent (NOI) in the *Federal Register*, publication of public notices in local newspapers, public meetings, and posting of notice and information on the Manti-La Sal National Forest internet page (www.fs.fed.us/r4/mantilasal).

Public interaction first began for this project in October 1999, when local organizations and government agencies were contacted, and representatives participated in a Plan-to-Project assessment of the municipal water supply area. This was a non-NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) review used to identify public desires and potential management actions within the project area. Field reviews and meetings were conducted in conjunction with this project. Other specialists and business representatives were included as the review progressed to provide information relative to concerns and questions that had been identified (plan-to-project project file, January 2001).

The Purpose and Need and Proposed Actions were developed following that review and public involvement process. These were then presented to the public through the formal scoping process. This process generated much interest and concern regarding the water system, road access, and vegetation conditions within the area and several articles and letters were published in local newspapers regarding the proposal (see plan-to-project file).

The formal scoping process for this environmental impact statement began when the scoping letter for the Monticello and Blanding Municipal Watershed Improvement Projects analysis was signed and sent for public review (scoping) on March 19, 2001. The letter was mailed to 472 individuals, organizations, and agencies. The letter was also distributed to the Forest Supervisor's Office and Moab/Monticello Ranger District personnel. Public notices were published in the San Juan Record (San Juan County, Utah), Sun Advocate (Carbon County, Utah), Times Independent (Grand County, Utah), and The Blue Mountain Panorama (Blanding, Utah). Two public meetings were held on March 20 and 21, 2001 (in Blanding and Monticello) following legal notices in the San Juan Record and Blue Mountain Panorama. Thirty-five individuals attended the public meetings. As a result of scoping, 41 responses were received from 40 individuals, agencies, or organizations (Figure 65).

Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was published in the Federal Register on March 29, 2001.

Following the initial scoping period, the public was provided the opportunity to participate in and comment during the Road Analysis process for this project. Although an independent (non-NEPA) analysis, a road analysis is required by law and is documented within this DEIS and the project record.

Initially, a sample of interested individuals, organizations, and government agencies were approached to obtain their opinions regarding management of roads within the project area. A

public meeting (open house) was then advertised (San Juan Record 2002) and held in Monticello on March 27, 2002 where individuals were invited to review and comment on management of roads within the project and Road Analysis area boundaries.

Figure 66 - Public Involvement (Commentor)

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION	NAME/TITLE
	Julie & Ed Wood
	Sheran & Ken Iverson
	Sandra Black
	Max Black
	William B. Fincher
San Juan County Commission	Ty Lewis
Columbia Helicopters, Inc.	David Horrax
	Joe F. Lyman
State of Idaho Department of Environmental Quality	Diane Riley
Blizzard Lumber Co.	James R. Blazzard
	Mark Belles
	Richard Lance Christie
Southeast Utah Land Users, Inc.	Jim Bourne
	Owen Severance
	Kim Burtenshaw
Forest Conservation Council National Forest Protection Alliance	Bryan Bird
Canyon Country Trail Planning and Development Group	Robert Turri
Utah Environmental Congress	Craig Axford
	Douglas L. Allen
	Nancy Cahoon
State of Utah Governor's Office of Planning and Budget Resource Development Coordinating Committee	Natalie Gochnour
	Wayne M. Brown
	Tony Esplin
	Tanya Lowry
	Evan K. Lowry
City of Monticello	K. Dale Black, Douglas L. Allen, Julie Bronson, Kim Burtenshaw, Clyde Christensen, Evan K. Lowry, and Trent Schafer
Martinez Logging	Joe E. Martinez
USDI National Park Service Intermountain Region Intermountain Support Office – Denver	Laurie Domler
Red Rock Forests	Wayne K. Hoskisson
	John Fellmeth
USDI Fish and Wildlife Service Utah Field Office	Henry R. Maddux
	Diana Whittington
	James Muhlestein
	A. Joel Frandsen
Willow Creek Ecology	John Carter

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COMPANY/ORGANIZATION	NAME/TITLE
State of Utah Department of Natural Resources Division of Wildlife Resources Southeastern Region	Kevin Christopherson
USDI Bureau of Land Management San Juan Resource Office	Nicholas Sandberg
United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 8	Cynthia Cody
City of Blanding	Chris Webb
	Michael Wolfe
	Brett A. LeCompte

There were other individuals or organizations that expressed interest in the proposal, but did not provide any substantive comments or concerns to be included in the analysis. These individuals, agencies, and organizations are identified in Figure 66.

Figure 66 - Public Involvement (Other Interested Individuals/Organizations)

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION	NAME/TITLE
	Kyle Kimmerle
Historic Preservation Dept.	Marklyn Chee
Navajo Nation	
Mountain West Helicopters	Brian Burr
Engelmann Log Homes	Darnell Cone
Bureau of Land Management San Juan Resource Area Office	Nick Sandberg
	Curtis Jones
USDA, Natural Resources Soil Conservation Service	Don M. Andrews
	Steve Deeter
	K. Dale Black
	C. L. Young
	Pearl Whitaker
	Gene Lowin